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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1.-10. (Canceled)

11. (Currently amended) A device for capturing body tissue samples, comprising:
an elongate body having a proximal end, a distal end, and a lumen therethrough,
said proximal end being configured to couple with a vacuum source to allow a vacuum to

said proximal end being configured to couple with a vacuum source to allow a vacuum to be selectively drawn through the lumen of the elongate body, said distal end configured to contact a body tissue sample prior to resection and configured to house said distal end further comprising a collection bag for temporary storage of resected tissue, said distal end further comprising a manually operable stop mechanism configured to selectively reduce an inner diameters of the lumen and the collection bag.

- 12. (Canceled)
- 13. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 11, further comprising a means for activating the stop mechanism.
- 14. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 11, wherein the collection bag is formed of a biocompatible material.
- 15. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 14, wherein the collection bag is formed of silicone.
- 16. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 11, said stop mechanism is configured to inhibit the body tissue sample from being drawn into the elongate body.
- 17. (Previously presented) The device of Claim 16, said stop mechanism creates a region of decreased diameter at the distal end of the elongate body.
- 18. (Currently amended) The device of Claim 17, said stop mechanism configured to selectively control the vacuum by reducing the inner diameters.